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**Subject:** Tobacco and Health Trust Fund Board

Board Members,

Good news! Governor Rell's proposal to allow the trust fund to recommend disbursement of up to half of the annual deposit into the trust fund was passed by the General Assembly on the last night of session. This means that we will be able to recommend disbursement of over \$6 million in the coming year.

Our next scheduled meeting is this Friday, May 16th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Room 410 at the State Capitol. At the meeting, we will review:

- changes to our authorizing statute,
- funding levels in the trust fund and available for disbursement,
- a summary of comments made at our public hearing; and
- a proposed schedule of meetings and tasks for the next six months.

I'm looking forward to working with you in this next exciting phase of the Tobacco and Health Trust Fund Board. Please let me know if you cannot attend the meeting this Friday.